

NOTES ON REQUIRED CORRECTIONS

Patent # US 7,257,552

In the above referenced patent, the entire set of claims, starting on column 66, line 22 through column 68, line 39 is an incorrect set of claims in accordance with a "CORRECTED NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE" dated 10/11/2006 and with fees due by 01/11/2007 issued by the examiner, Robert Pond. The fees due were paid on 12/12/2006 by credit card transaction with a reference number ZNQ38810.

The claims actually printed in the published patent appear to be related to a prior "NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE" dated 8/15/2006 and fees due by 11/15/2006. This prior "NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE" could not have been published since no fees were paid before the due date of 11/15/2006.

During the review leading to the discovery of the printing of the wrong set of claims, 3 minor errors were detected in the claims associated with the "CORRECTED NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE" dated 10/11/2006. Since the problem of the incorrect set of claims needs to be corrected, it would be appropriate to also correct these minor errors as follows:

In claim 32 where it reads – The method of claim 31, further comprises – it should read – The method of claim 31, further comprising – (Note the change from "comprises" to "comprising").

In claim 34 where it reads – The method of claim 33 further comprises – it should read – The method of claim 33, further comprising – (Note the missing comma after "claim 33" and the change from "comprises" to "comprising").